

Childminder Report

Inspection date

1 February 2018

Previous inspection date

17 February 2014

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Outstanding	1
	Previous inspection:	Good	2
Effectiveness of the leadership and management		Outstanding	1
Quality of teaching, learning and assessment		Outstanding	1
Personal development, behaviour and welfare		Outstanding	1
Outcomes for children		Outstanding	1

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is outstanding

- Teaching is consistently outstanding. Children thrive and make excellent progress as the childminder is extremely attentive to their individual needs. She provides a wealth of activities and resources that are exciting and inspire and motivate children to learn.
- Parents are extremely happy with the care provided by the childminder. They are very much involved with their child's learning and development. They welcome the advice and resources to help them support their child more effectively at home.
- The childminder has firmly established routines and expectations which help children to learn important values, promote positive behaviour and learn to respect each other.
- The childminder places an extremely sharp focus on children's communication and language skills in every activity or experience they take part in. She promotes their physical, personal, social and emotional development exceptionally well, giving children firm foundations for their future learning.
- The childminder has a superb drive for continuous improvement. Rigorous evaluation of all aspects of her practice help her to continuously enhance her provision and build on the already excellent outcomes for children.
- This caring and nurturing childminder establishes excellent relationships with children. Children settle quickly and develop a sense of belonging. They are extremely confident, independent and motivated learners who are eager to play and explore.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

To further improve the quality of the early years provision the provider should:

- continue to review the programme of professional development that helps maintain the outstanding practice.

Inspection activities

- The inspector had a tour of the premises.
- The inspector observed the quality of teaching and the impact on children's progress and development. She spoke to the childminder and children throughout the inspection.
- The inspector completed a joint observation with the childminder and discussed the impact of the teaching on children's progress.
- The inspector looked at records and documentation, including evidence of the suitability of adults within the home.
- The inspector took account of parents' views.

Inspector

Eileen Grimes

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is outstanding

Safeguarding is effective. The childminder's in-depth knowledge of what to do if she has concerns about a child in her care promotes children's welfare exceptionally well. The childminder implements superb procedures to ensure that children are kept safe throughout the home. She works extremely closely with parents and other early years professionals to agree strategies to support children to make the highest rates of progress. The childminder places a high priority on continual professional development. She recognises that continuing to build on her own professional development will help her to maintain her outstanding practice and excellent outcomes for children.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is outstanding

This extremely experienced childminder has the highest expectations of each child's achievements. Children are inspired to learn through the rich and imaginative experiences that reflect their different interests exceptionally well. The childminder promotes children's self-confidence, imagination and curiosity. She successfully expands their vocabulary and skilfully models language and asks plenty of questions. Children listen superbly well. They show they understand by copying and using the new words they are learning. The childminder plans meaningful creative activities. Children become engrossed in imaginative play. They take the lead at various times and younger children seek the support of their older peers. Their understanding of the wider world is extended and they enjoy various outings to places of interest, such as local parks.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are outstanding

Each child's personal care needs are met exceptionally well through the childminder's highly responsive interactions. The childminder is extremely skilful in promoting children's physical and emotional well-being. She is constantly enthusiastic and praises children's achievements, building upon their self-esteem. Children embrace new challenges with confidence and take pleasure in their interactions with others. They demonstrate a positive attitude towards everything they do. They have ample opportunities to learn about how to keep healthy and spend a lot of time in the outdoors. They are extremely curious about the natural world. The childminder skilfully encourages children to take risks while keeping safe.

Outcomes for children are outstanding

All children make excellent progress. All are working within the range of development typical for their age and some exceed this. Children learn about words and numbers and they take part in activities linked to familiar stories. They have many opportunities to experiment with making marks and practise early writing in innovative ways. For example, they make books for their parents, writing their names and drawing pictures. They develop key skills that help to prepare them extremely well for later learning in school.

Setting details

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Local authority	Leeds
Inspection number	1102598
Type of provision	Childminder
Day care type	Childminder
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register
Age range of children	1 - 10
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	5
Name of registered person	
Date of previous inspection	17 February 2014
Telephone number	

The childminder registered in 2013 and lives in Bramhope, Leeds. She operates Monday to Friday, from 8am to 6pm, all year round, except for bank holidays and family holidays.

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